



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL
INSPECTIONS
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET
CAFETERIA CONFERENCE ROOM B5
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
<http://sbc.lacounty.gov>**

Wednesday, May 14, 2014

10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (14-2286)

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Call to Order. (14-2143)

Chairperson Montaña called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Chairperson Montaña led in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

Present: Chairperson Eleanor R. Montaña, Vice Chairperson Frank S. Bacio, Commissioner Barbara Bigby, Commissioner Donald S. Andrews and Commissioner Susan Burton

Excused: Commissioner Cheryl Grills Ph.D. and Commissioner Anne S. Hill

Vacancies: Commissioner Maxine Russell M.A. M.S.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Approval of the April 30, 2014 Minutes. (14-2144)

After discussion, on motion of Commissioner Donald S. Andrews, seconded by Commissioner Barbara Bigby, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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2. Approval of the April 23, 2014 Minutes. (Continued from the meeting of April 30, 2014) (14-2153)

During discussion, Commissioner Donald S. Andrews stated that after reviewing the audio of the April 23, 2014 Commission meeting, he agrees

that Item No. 6, paragraph No. 4 of the April 23, 2014 meeting minutes accurately reflects his statements in regards to encouraging Judges to handout longer sentences for youth to serve time at Camp Fred Miller High School.

On motion of Commissioner Barbara Bigby, seconded by Commissioner Donald S. Andrews, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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II. REPORTS

3. Chairperson's Report on various items for May 14, 2014. (14-2145)

Chairperson Montaña reminded the Commissioners that the May 21, 2014 Sybil Brand Commission (SBC) monthly Business Meeting has been rescheduled to May 28, 2014, to allow the SBC Commissioners opportunity to attend the 45th Annual Los Angeles County Peace Officers' Memorial, to be held at the Star Center in Whittier, CA, on May 21, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

4. Treasurer's Report for May 14, 2014. (14-2146)

Vice Chairperson Bacio reported that the bank statement balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund remains at \$792.61.

5. Staff Report on Correspondence Received, and Department Representative Reports for May 14, 2014. (14-2147)

Staff reported that 36 SBC Scholarship applications were submitted to Commission Services. Staff also requested clarification on the content to be included in the proposed letter to the Board of Supervisors regarding the trade program at Camp Fred Miller High School.

Commissioner Andrews stated that the letter to the Board of Supervisors should express that the program has merit, is beneficial and ask that the Board continue its support of Camp Miller, as well as make the sentencing Judge aware of the program's success.

6. Review of Group Home Compliance Monitoring Audit Reports presented on May 14, 2014. (14-2148)

There was no Group Home Audit Report.

7. Commissioners' Report on Group Home and/or Detention Facilities Inspections from May 1, 2014 to May 13, 2014. (14-2149)

During the reporting period, the following facilities/group homes were reported as being in satisfactory condition:

Chairperson Montaña visited:

- **Dream Home Care, Inc., on April 5, 2014 (Allington Ave. - Long Beach, CA).**

Chairperson Montaña and Commissioner Andrews visited:

- **Norwalk Sheriff's Station on May 13, 2014 (Civic Center Dr. - Norwalk, CA); Cerritos Sheriff Station on May 12, 2014 (Bloomfield Ave. - Cerritos, CA); Whittier Branch Court on May 7, 2014 and noted that the court is CLOSED (South Painter Ave. - Whittier, CA); and Los Angeles Youth Network on May 6, 2014 (Taft Ave. - Los Angeles, CA).**

Vice Chairperson Bacio visited:

- **LCMC USC Medical Center on May 7, 2014 (Marengo St. - Los Angeles, CA); Eggleston Youth Center on May 6, 2014 (Diana Ave. - Pomona, CA); and Eggleston Youth Center on May 1, 2014 (St. Malo Street - West Covina, CA).**

Commissioner Andrews visited:

- **Van Nuys West Wing Criminal Branch on May 5, 2014 (Erwin Street Mall - Van Nuys, CA).**

Commissioner Andrews expressed concern regarding the layout of the Sybil Brand Commission's 2014 Group Home Inspection Roster. He stated that the Roster does not include three key items/categories: Type of facility, Capacity and whether the facility is under DCFS or Probation control.

Staff informed Commissioner Andrews that his concerns will be relayed to Commission Services managers for handling.

Commissioners Bigby and Hill visited:

Rosemary Children's Services/Bonnie House on May 15, 2014 (North Bonnie St. - Pasadena, CA); Children Are Our Future on May 13, 2014 (Merion Drive - Northridge, CA); Phoenix House of Los Angeles on May 8, 2014 (Eldridge Ave. - Lakeview Terrace, CA); and Le Roy Haynes Center on May 7, 2014 (West Baseline Rd. - La Verne, CA).

Following discussion, by Common Consent, there being no objection, the Commissioners' Inspection reports were received and filed.

III. PRESENTATIONS

- 8. Video presentation on the Trade Program offered at Camp Miller High School.**

- Commissioner Donald Andrews (14-2095)

Commissioner Andrews shared a video "Building the Shop" on the Camp Miller's Trade Program, followed by discussion.

During discussion, Commissioner Burton stated that there is a need to find effective ways to bridge what students are learning at Camp Miller High School with similar programs/organizations in their communities. She also stated that connecting youths to programs and apprenticeship with organizations such as YouthBuild, Job Corps and the Conservation Corps would help in the re-integration into society and possibly decrease the recidivism rate amongst these individuals.

Commissioner Bigby stated that the Trade Program is beneficial, and agrees with Commissioner Burton that there needs to be a bridge from the program that helps to re-integrate individuals into society.

Following discussion, by Common Consent, there being no objection, the item was received and filed.

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IV. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

9. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or place on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (14-2150)

There were no matters presented for a future agenda.

Public Comment

10. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (14-2151)

There were no members of the public present to address the Commission.

Adjournment

11. Adjournment for the meeting of May 14, 2014. (14-2152)

There being no further business, Chairperson Montaña adjourned the meeting of March 12, 2014 in the memory of Los Angeles County Police Officer Roberto Sanchez, at 12:15 p.m.